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FINANCE
LOK SABHA

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DECREASE IN OPIUM GROWING LAND
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Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether steep decrease has been noticed in total area of opium growing land;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether complaints about low yield of opium has affected some industries situated at Gazipur of Uttar Pradesh and Neemach of Madhya Pradesh has been received, and

(d) if so, the details thereof and action taken in the matter?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI S.S. PALANIMANICKAM)

(a) Yes sir.

(b) The total area licenced (ha) to cultivate opium poppy during 2005-06, 2006-07 and 2007-08 is as follows:

(c) No sir.

(d) Does not arise.